

Duke of York to Lieutenant Brockholes.

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Lieutenant Brockholes.

Since my arrivall here I have had an acc^t of y^e result of divers meetings of my Com^{rs} touching y^e state of affayres at New Yorke, but untill I come to London (w^{ch} I doubt will not be till this ship is sailed), I cannot perfect those resolu^cns w^{ch} I shall take thereupon; only for y^e p^rsent, in confirmac^on of w^t my Sec^{ry} lately wrote to you I send y^s to tell you that I intend to establish such a forme of governem^t at New Yorke as shall have all y^e advantages & priviledges to y^e inhabitants & traders there, w^{ch} His Ma^{ty} other plantacons in America doe enjoy, particularly in y^e chooseing of an Assembly, and in all other things as nere as may be

agreable to y^e laws of England. But yⁿ I shall expect y^t the Countrey of New Yorke and its Dependencies shall provide some certaine fonds for y^e necessary support of y^e governem^t and garrison, and for dischargeing y^e arreares w^{ch} are or shalbe incurred since y^e obstruccions y^t have lately beene to the collection of y^e publique revenue there. Wherefore you are to use all dilligence to induce y^e people there of best note and estates, to dispose y^m selves and their freinds to a cheerfull compliyanse in this point, and you may assure y^m y^t w^t soever shalbe thus rayseed, shalbe applyed to those publique uses. For I seeke y^e common good and protection of y^t countrey and y^e increase of their trade, before my advantages to myselfe in y^s matter. By the next shipping I intend you shall heare further from mee. I am &c

To L^t Brockholes &c

